Cases registered by Caw Cell

4756. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether crime against women throughout the country have been increasing alarmingly day by day;

(b) if so, the number of cases reported by the Crime Against Women (CAW) Cell of the Delhi Police during the last three years, year-wise;

(c) whether most of the victims of eve-teasing and molestation in the capital hesitate to report to CAW Cell due to police harassment;

(d) if so, the facts thereof; and

(e) the steps Government propose to take to streamline the functioning of CAW Cell in the Capital?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) According to available information, the cases of Crime committed against women in 1997, 1998 and 1999 were 1,21,265, 1,31,475 and 1,35,011 respectively.

(b) The number of complaints received by the Crime Against Women Cell of the Delhi Police during the last three years was as follows:

1997	—	7,255
1998	—	7,500
1999	—	6,732

(c) and (d) Every complaint received in the Crime Against Women Cell is promptly dealt with and effective remedial measures are taken. Therefore, there is no evidence to suggest that such victims are harassed by police.

(e) The steps taken for streamlining the functioning of the Crime Against Women Cell include—

(i) Eminent social workers, psychologists, jurists, professors and Non-Government organisations are associated/ invited to join the investigation of cases of crime against women and for counselling of victims and affected parties.

(ii) In the staff of Crime Against Women cells, 90% women police officers, with good educational background, have been posted to instill a sense of security/confidence in the minds of the victims

and also for better understanding of the problems faced by the women.

(iii) Gender sensitization courses are being conducted for the staff of the Crime Against Women Cell.

(iv) Crime against Women Cells have also been set up in every Police District of Delhi as far as possible under supervision of a woman police officer of the rank of Inspector/Assistant Commissioner of Police to effectively deal with these complaints at District level; and

(v) Regular meetings, seminars, etc. are held to improve the working of Crime Against Women Cell and to adopt new methods of investigation and counselling in the cases of crime against women.

Prisoners in jail without trial

4757. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of prisoners kept in various jails of the country as on 1st January, 2000;

(b) the number of them who are in jails without trial and since when;

(c) the specific reasons for keeping them in jails without trial;

(d) what action is proposed against erring officials responsible for their deplorable plight; and

(e) whether any amendment in the existing laws is proposed to pay the damages to prisoners who have spent valuable time of their lives and are released subsequently?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI):

(a) to (e) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Indian Security Scenario *vis-a-vis* Israel

4758. SHRI NANA DESHMUKH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Home Minister on a recent visit to Israel found that security in that country was unobtrusive;